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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of December 27, 2006, the period for response to which having been extended by three months to June 27, 2007, kindly amend the above-referenced U.S. patent application as follows:

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